



December Briefs:

KDHE Sets Training Dates for Funeral Home Operators

The KDHE Office of Vital Statistics has announced 2006 training classes for funeral homes that want to learn how to file death certificates online or funeral homes that are already online and need additional training for staff.

Training will be held on the following dates: January 12, 26; February 9, 23 and March 9, 23.

Training is from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and held at KDHE, Curtis State Office Building, 1000 SW Jackson, Topeka. If you are interested in training, please contact Jim Staehli at (785) 296-2675 or Robin Wolfe at (785) 296-1426 to reserve your spot.

Attorney General's Office Offers Holiday Shopping Tips

It's not the 12 Days of Christmas, but Kansas Attorney General Phill Kline and his staff have created a list of 12 holiday shopping tips designed to make you aware of potential consumer problems during this busy time of year. For more information, contact the AG's office, 800-432-2310, or go to their Web site – www.ksag.org.

National Folic Acid Awareness Week

January 9 through 15 is designated National Folic Acid Awareness Week by the National Council on Folic Acid. The Council is supported in part through a cooperative agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and managed by the National Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition. Go to <http://www.folicacidinfo.org/campaign/> for more information, toolkit items, and brochures

Fathers - Save the Date!

The Kansas Fatherhood Coalition announces the 4th annual KANSAS FATHERHOOD SUMMIT, March 19-21, 2006, at the Wichita Marriott. The Summit is intended for Social workers, nurses, counselors, home visitors, fathers, mothers, grandparents, Head Start staff, and community leaders. Keynote speakers include Jerry Tello, David Pate, Will Stovall and DJ Eagle Bear-Vanas. New sessions this year are Healthy Marriage Track, Grandparent Track and Domestic Violence Track in addition to the 16 Fatherhood break-out sessions. Registration fee before February 20 will be \$25 for parents/ caregivers and \$75 for practitioners. Watch for registration forms in late December.

New On-Line Registration Payment Option Available for Dry Cleaning Facilities

KDHE's on-line registration option previously only allowed for payment of the registration fee by credit card. The Web site has now been upgraded for 2006 to allow payment by electronic check. This feature will allow the registrant to pay the registration fee using their bank routing and account numbers. The \$100 registration fee will be deducted from the bank account. This is beneficial when owners have separate bank accounts for their business, but no business credit card. A registrant can access the on-line Dry Cleaner Registration Web Page at www.kdheks.gov/dryclean/.

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